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SUBJECT: UKRAINE: USITC ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATION ON SILICON METAL

FROM RUSSIA

REFS: A) KYIV 220

B) STATE 4821

- 11. Ref A contained Post's response to ref B request for information regarding silicon metal production in Ukraine.
- 12. Post had filed a formal request for information with the Ministry of Industrial Policy of Ukraine, which maintains oversight of the metallurgy industry, and is responsible for state-owned enterprises operating in this sphere. Post received the following response from the Ministry of Industrial Policy on February 21.

Begin Text:

In early 2000 the Zaporizhskiy Titanium-Magnesium Combine (ZTMC) was restructured, and a separate semi-conductor plant was established with access to the key assets for silicon production.

According to management of the enterprise, the material mentioned in your letter, namely silicon metal covered by subheadings 2804.69.10 and 2804.69.50 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS), was not produced at the Zaporizhskiy Titanium-Magnesium Combine.

Until 1997 the ZTMC produced silicon metal of semi-conductor quality (more than 99.99% silicon by weight). To date this production has not resumed.

End Text.

13. This telegram contains no business proprietary information.

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